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April 27 in the person of a Spaniard at Los Angeles Hospital. There is a slight decrease in all the different branches of the work of the Service.

There were 6 vessels disinfected during the week—2 steamers, 3 schooners, and 1 bark. In addition to this work of vessel disinfection, the personal baggage and camp outfit of one company of the signal corps were disinfected, prior to being sent to Egmont Key quarantine station, by the steamship *Mascotte*. The utmost care was taken in this work, although the disinfected material was destined for a quarantine station. The same careful disinfection will be carried out with the several companies which will follow during the present week. We attempted to arrange with the agents of the Ward Line Steamship Company for the disinfection of the baggage of all soldiers which was taken by their steamer *Vigilancia* on Monday, May 1, when said baggage was destined to some point in the United States south of Maryland. Through a misunderstanding, this was not accomplished, but we succeeded in labeling this baggage, "to be disinfected," for the guidance of the quarantine officer at New York. While this work of disinfection of baggage going to New York is not popular here, as is the case with all reforms, the work will be accomplished before the danger from such baggage is great. Until we succeed in disinfecting baggage, we will inspect all baggage going to New York, labeling either "to be disinfected" or "inspected and passed," as the occasion demands.

Mortality of the city of Havana for the week ended Thursday, May 4, 1899: Enteric fever, 6; pernicious fever, 2; malarial fever, 4; enteritis, 14; diphtheria, 1; measles, 2; pneumonia, 8; tuberculosis, 23; deaths from all causes, 143.

Respectfully, yours,

W. F. BRUNNER,

Sanitary Inspector, U. S. M. H. S.

The SUPERVISING SURGEON-GENERAL,

U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

Sanitary report from Havana.

HAVANA, CUBA, May 12, 1899.

SIR: I have the honor to submit the following report for the week ended Thursday, May 11.

There were no deaths from yellow fever nor from smallpox. The epidemic of measles, reported previously, continues to increase; there were 3 deaths from this cause. The total deaths from all causes is the lightest recorded since 1895.

Two companies of the United States Signal Corps, after having their baggage and personal effects disinfected, were sent to Egmont Quarantine Station via Plant Line on May 6 and 8.

There is still an exodus of soldiers to the United States entering at New York and New Orleans. The Ward Line steamship *Havana*, which is chartered by United States Army, took about 1,600 soldiers to New York, leaving here Saturday, May 6. We made every effort to inspect the baggage of these men, labeling baggage of all soldiers going to points in the southern States "to be disinfected."

There were 3 vessels disinfected here prior to their departure for southern ports.

Respectfully, yours,

W. F. BRUNNER,

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Mortality of the city of Havana for the week ended Thursday, May 11, 1899.

Causes of death.	Total.
Enteric fever.....	6
Pernicious fever	1
Malarial fever.....	9
Croup.....	1
Measles.....	3
Dysentery.....	1
Enteritis.....	16
Pneumonia.....	10
Tuberculosis.....	10
Deaths from all causes.....	130

*Sanitary report from Matanzas.*MATANZAS, CUBA, *May 9, 1899.*

SIR: I have the honor to report that the sanitary condition of Matanzas is good. Twenty deaths occurred during the week ended May 6, 1899. With an estimated population of 40,000, this shows an annual death rate of 26.08 per thousand, which is a marked improvement over the week previous. No cases from quarantinable diseases have been reported during the week. The last case of yellow fever (probably imported) occurred March 27. The principal causes of death during the week have been malaria and tuberculosis. There were 2 deaths from typhoid fever.

The disinfecting apparatus is now working smoothly. The schooner *Lewanika*, bound for Pascagoula, Miss., was disinfected on the 6th instant, the regulations of the Service being complied with in every particular. * * *

Respectfully, yours,

G. M. GUITERAS,

Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SUPERVISING SURGEON-GENERAL,

*U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.**Sanitary report from Santiago de Cuba.*SANTIAGO DE CUBA, *April 29, 1899.*

SIR: I have the honor to report that during the week ended April 29, 1899, there was a total of 31 deaths in the civil population of this city. The principal causes of death were tuberculosis, 6; malarial diseases, 3; meningitis, 2; entero-colitis, 4; pneumonia, 2; noma, 1.

During the same week 23 vessels were inspected—17 upon arrival and 6 prior to departure.

The United States army transport *Meade* sailed for New York, April 26, with the Ninth Regiment of Immunes (colored). The regiment was stationed at San Luis, and was free from quarantinable disease at the time of embarking.

The baggage and camp equipment of this regiment needed disinfection, but there are no means at present to do it here.

The facts were stated on the bill of health.

Respectfully, yours,

M. J. ROSENAU,

Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

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